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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

<b>In Re</b>	)	<b>Chapter 11 Proceedings</b>
	)	<b>(Joint Administration)</b>
<b>SWTV PRODUCTION SERVICES,</b>	)	
<b>INC.,</b>	)	<b>Case No. BR-03-09489-PHX-CGC</b>
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<b>HD PARTNERS, LLC,</b>	)	<b>Case No. BR-05-00370-PHX-GBN</b>
	)	
<b>Debtors.</b>	)	
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<b>HD PARTNERS, LLC,</b>	)	<b>Adv. No. 05-00287</b>
	)	
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>v.</b>	)	
	)	<b>UNDER ADVISEMENT DECISION</b>
<b>EQ ACQUISITIONS 2003, INC.,</b>	)	<b>RE: HD PARTNERS' MOTION FOR</b>
	)	<b>SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND</b>
<b>Defendant.</b>	)	<b>GREYSTONE CDT ASSOCIATES</b>
	)	<b>MOTION TO INTERVENE</b>
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<b>GREYSTONE CDT ASSOCIATES,</b>	)	
<b>LLC;</b>	)	
	)	
<b>Applicant for Intervention.</b>	)	

Under Advisement is Greystone CDT Associates, LLC's ("Greystone") Motion to Intervene and Plaintiff HD Partners, LLC's ("HDP") and Defendant EQ Acquisitions 2003, Inc. ("EQ") Motions for Summary Judgment, on which the Court heard oral argument on **August 9, 2005**. A decision on the Motion to Intervene hinges on the outcome of the Motions for Summary Judgment and, as such, the three will be resolved together in this decision.

The secured transaction at issue here arose in 2004 between Debtor SWTV Production Services, Inc. ("SWTV") and Sony Financial Services, Inc. ("Sony") under a Master Loan **Agreement that allowed** SWTV to acquire certain television production equipment, primarily a mobile production unit referred to previously by the parties as "Bonnie and Clyde" and certain

1 equipment installed in Bonnie and Clyde and related to its operation.

2 Subsequently, SWTV filed for Chapter 11 protection and Sony ultimately objected to  
3 SWTV's proposed Plan. Ultimately, the parties reached an agreement calling for, inter alia,  
4 Sony to consent to the Plan and to reduce its claim from \$5,118,703.20 to \$4,300,000, and for  
5 SWTV to affirm all provisions of the Master Loan Agreement as modified by the stipulation and  
6 to agree that Core Digital Acquisition ("CDA"), as successor in interest to SWTV, be also bound  
7 by the Master Loan Agreement. Defendant EQ, as successor in interest to Sony, claims a security  
8 interest in such equipment under the original Master Loan Agreement and seeks to foreclose on  
9 its security interest as a result of the loan now being in default post-confirmation.

10 No one disputes these facts. The wrinkle lies in exactly what equipment secures EQ.  
11 While this would seem an easy question to answer, the true nature of the status of the Bonnie and  
12 Clyde trailer and its equipment has become a moving target, largely due to the ever-changing  
13 stories of HD and its primary declarant Scott Barker. In an effort not to confuse the current state  
14 of facts further, the Court will forego reciting all the apparent inconsistencies, changes in story,  
15 and other fancy footwork of Mr. Barker, as the Court pointed many of them out at the hearing.  
16 Suffice it to say, counsel for HD encouraged the Court not to rely on Mr. Barker's declarations  
17 to resolve these matters. In addition, the Court was able to whittle its way down to what appears  
18 to be the agreed facts between the parties and they appear to be as follows.

19 Sometime before 2004, CDA, as successor in interest to SWTV, determined that the  
20 original Bonnie and Clyde mobile production unit was not capable of covering golf events in high  
21 definition format.<sup>1</sup> It was determined that additional trailers were needed, and CDA acquired and  
22 built two new trailers, naming one "Clyde" and the other "Nemo."<sup>2</sup> The original Bonnie and  
23 Clyde unit's name was then renamed simply "Bonnie." It appears that some of the equipment that  
24 was originally installed in the original Bonnie and Clyde unit was moved to the new Clyde unit.

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26 <sup>1</sup>This statement is contrary to at least one of Mr. Barker's declarations, but appears now to be  
27 fairly accepted.

28 <sup>2</sup>EQ **claims** no interest in Nemo or its contents.

1 In addition, brand new equipment purchased by CDA was installed in Clyde.

2 To make matters more confusing, however, Bonnie and Clyde, as two separate trailers,  
3 were subsequently disassembled at a repair site in New Jersey after experiencing alleged technical  
4 difficulties. The repair process has since come to a halt, and the trailers sit empty and the  
5 removed equipment shrink wrapped and placed on pallets on the floor of the New Jersey repair  
6 facility. Based on this current state, the parties agree that EQ's collateral consists of the newly  
7 renamed Bonnie trailer, any equipment that was removed from the Bonnie trailer and placed on  
8 the floor of the New Jersey facility, and any equipment removed from the original Bonnie and  
9 Clyde trailer, reinstalled in the new Clyde trailer, and then subsequently removed from Clyde and  
10 placed on the floor of the New Jersey facility. The parties agree that EQ has no interest in the  
11 Clyde trailer itself, not having received a motor vehicle department lien on that trailer. That  
12 leaves one category of equipment still in dispute – the new equipment installed in Clyde but never  
13 installed in the original Bonnie and Clyde or the new Bonnie.

14 According EQ, this new equipment is its collateral because it constitutes an attachment,  
15 accession, or betterment to Bonnie as provided in the Master Loan Agreement and Financing  
16 Statement. The Financing Statement lists the covered collateral as not only “[a]ll goods and  
17 equipment now owned, leased or used and hereafter owned, leased or used by Debtor” under the  
18 Master Loan Agreement, but also “any attachments, accessions and additions thereto, substitutions  
19 and replacements therefore, and related general intangibles.” Similarly, EQ’s loan document  
20 schedules contain similar language stating that its security interest also reaches “all additions,  
21 attachments, accessories, substitutions, replacements, repairs, improvements, betterments and  
22 appurtenances of whatever description or nature.” EQ argues that because Clyde was purchased  
23 to improve or upgrade Bonnie, the equipment located within in it is directly an accession,  
24 replacement or betterment of Bonnie.

25 HD counters that these items cannot be accessions to Bonnie because they were not  
26 installed in Bonnie but were installed in Clyde, in which EQ admits it has no security interest.  
27 To allow such a security interest regardless, according to HD, would grant EQ a substantial  
28 windfall. Further, HD contends that Bonnie can function with its original equipment without

1 Clyde, such that the equipment in Clyde cannot be considered essential or integral to Bonnie's  
2 functioning.

3 The language of the security agreement is broad, however, and includes not only additions,  
4 accessions, and betterments, which HD addresses, but it also includes substitutions, replacements,  
5 repairs, improvements, and appurtenances of whatever nature. Whether the new equipment falls  
6 into any of those categories cannot be determined on this record on summary judgment. There  
7 simply is no evidence that adequately identifies what these pieces of new equipment are, where  
8 they were installed, how they were installed, for what purpose they were installed, how they  
9 modify or enhance Bonnie, if at all, etc. In addition, while the parties appear to agree that EQ's  
10 collateral includes any equipment installed in the original Bonnie and Clyde and either removed  
11 as part of the disassembly of all of the trailers or removed and reinstalled in Clyde (only to be  
12 removed against as part of the disassembly of all the trailers), there is no agreement or record  
13 before the Court to determine exactly which pieces of equipment fall into these two categories.

14 For the foregoing reasons, the Court denies the Motions for Summary Judgment. That  
15 leaves Greystone's *Motion to Intervene* to assert a senior lien on the **disputed** equipment. **Despite**  
16 EQ's protestations to the contrary, it makes better sense in the interests of judicial economy to  
17 allow Greystone to intervene as a defendant/cross claimant in this matter so that all interests to  
18 this property can be litigated at one time. Therefore, Greystone's motion will be granted.  
19 Counsel for EQ Acquisitions shall lodge a form of order consistent with this Court's decision for  
20 signature.

21 In addition, Greystone shall have ten (10) days from the date of this decision to file its  
22 answer and any cross-claim.<sup>3</sup> EQ shall have ten (10) days thereafter to reply. The *parties* shall  
23 further appear before this Court on **October 19, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. at 230 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue,**  
24 **Phoenix, Arizona, for a Rule 16(b) Scheduling Conference** prior to the Rule 16(b) Scheduling  
25 Conference, the parties shall have met and conferred as required by Bankruptcy Rule 7026 and  
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27 <sup>3</sup>Because Greystone is seeking affirmative relief on the priority of its lien, Greystone should cross-  
28 claim against EQ.

1 have made their initial disclosures and narrowed the issues left for determination.

2 So ordered.

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5 DATED: Aug 18, 2005

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7 **CHARLES G. CASE II**  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

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